

# MINUTES HEARING OFFICER FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Minutes of the regular public hearing of the Hearing Officer, of the City of Tempe, which was held at the Council Chambers, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

## **REGULAR SESSION 5:00 PM**

### Present:

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer Steve Abrahamson, Principal Planner Blake Schimke, Planning Tech

There were 0 interested citizens present at the regular session.

Meeting convened at 5:00 PM and was called to order by Vanessa MacDonald. They stated that anyone wishing to appeal a decision made by the Hearing Officer would need to file a written appeal to that decision within fourteen (14) calendar days, by March 5, 2019 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

2. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **WUZUP HOMES PROPERTY** located at 1406 E. Williams Street. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE183003**).

ABATEMENT REQUEST WITHDRAWN - PROPERTY IN COMPLIANCE

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3. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **CATE PROPERTY** located at 2005 E. Howe Avenue. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE183204**).

Hector Heredia Jr, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Over height grass and weeds
- Two citations but no reply
  - Ms. MacDonald asked when was the last time that the Code Inspector went out to the site.
  - Mr. Heredia Jr. Informed Ms. MacDonald that he did go by the property the morning of the meeting.
  - Ms. MacDonald agrees with the assessment of the property.
  - Ms. MacDonald asked how long Mr. Heredia has been in correspondence with the owner.
  - Mr. Heredia Jr. informed Ms. MacDonald that the property owner has not replied at all and that the case started as of May 22,2018 and since then has not complied.
  - Ms. MacDonald stated that since there was no one in the audience then there is no property owner or anyone in the public that would like to speak on agenda item number 3.

Ms. MacDonald approved the 180-day abatement.

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4. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **BROWN PROPERTY** located at 1941 E. Manhatton Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE184273**).

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5. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **BOECHLER PROPERTY** located at 2231 S. Evergreen Road. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE186519**).

Michael Glab, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Property owner spends half if not more in another state
- The property owner was informed that he needs to bring the property to code or the city will abate he was fine
  with the City abating his property
- No contact from the owner since with mailings or posting on the property
- The property seems to be vacant
  - Mr. Glab provided photos of the most recent property statues.
  - Ms. MacDonald agrees with the assessment of the property.
  - Ms. MacDonald stated that this property is a frequent flyer and use the abatement process as a yard service.

Ms. MacDonald approved the 180-day abatement.

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6. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **FELSINGER PROPERTY** located at 1031 E. Lilac Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe **(CE187597)**.

Hector Heredia Jr., Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Property owner is notorious for getting the property abated numerous times
- The property owner has not made a single attempt of corrective measures
- Nor reach out and make contact throughout the process
- The citation portion was skipped because the property owner is a repeat offender
  - Ms. MacDonald asked when was the last time that the Code Inspector went out to the site.
  - Mr. Heredia Jr. Informed Ms. MacDonald that he did go by the property the morning of the meeting.
  - Mr. Heredia Jr. did provide photos of the property current state.
  - Ms. MacDonald agrees with the assessment of the property.
  - Ms. MacDonald approved the 180-day abatement.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

 Vanessa MacDonald noted that the next Hearing Officer public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 5:00 PM.

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With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 5:12 PM.

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Prepared by: Brittainy Nelson

Reviewed by:

Steve Abrahamson, Principal Planner For Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer

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